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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants elect Group I, Figures 1-10 in response to the Election of Species Requirement of February 1, 2007. Claims 1-3 and 19 read upon the elected species.

An early and favorable action on the merits of this application is requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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